(c) how much assistance has been given so far by the Central Government for flood control measures to different States?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ARVIND NETAM): (a) to (c) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Subsidies on Non-Nitrogenous Fertilizers

2293. SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA:
SHRI ANANT RAM JAISWAL:
Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have finished the modalities to be adopted for the disbursement of subsidies on non-nitrogenous fertilizers;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof, stating whether the subsidies would be available for imported fertilizers;

(c) if not, what are the reasons for delay in finalising the modalities; and

(d) when a final decision is likely to be taken in this respect?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ARVIND NETAM): (a) to (d) The scheme for sale of decontrolled fertilizers with concession to the farmers initiated in Rabi 1992-93 is being continued in 1993-94. The concession will be available for the grades of fertilizers indicated below:

Product	Rate of Concession (Rs. per tonne)
Indigenous DAP	1000
MOP	1000
Indigenous Complexes	435-999
SSP	340

Detailed guidelines for implementation of the scheme during Kharif 1993 together with the funds earmarked alongwith release of 1st instalment for Kharif 1993 have already been made to the concerned States/Union Territories.

Handing over DMS to Delhi Administration

2294. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has decided to handover the charge of sick Delhi Milk Scheme to the Delhi Administration;

(b) if so, the reasons and justifications thereof;

(c) whether the DMS is running into losses presently; and

(d) if so, the cause of its losses and efforts made by Government to make it out from the red?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ARVIND NETAM): (a) The matter has been taken up with the Government of the National Capital Territory of Delhi and modalities are being worked out.

(b) The supply of essential commodity like milk is one of the normal and natural functions which should be undertaken by the Government responsible for day-to-day administration of State/Union Territories.

(c) and (d) Yes, Sir. The losses are mainly due to difference in the cost of production and the selling price of milk. The selling price of milk is fixed keeping in view the avowed policy to provide a remunerative market to the producers of milk on the one hand and to make available quality milk at reasonable rates to the citizens of the capital on the other hand. Various steps have been taken by the Delhi Milk Scheme to increase its efficiency by better utilisation of capacity, economies in the consumption of polythene film and other consumables like diesel, oil, lubricants, electricity, water etc., besides rationalization of distribution routes, so as to reduce the transportation costs.

Reforms in Agriculture

2295. DR. NAUNIHAL SINGH:
SHRI SHIV CHARAN SINGH:
SHRI NARAIN PRASAD GUPTA:
Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the World Bank has called for bold reforms in Agriculture;

(b) if so, what are the various areas on which the World Bank has laid down emphasis; the details thereof;

(c) whether Government are preparing on agricultural policy resolution on those lines suggested by the World Bank; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY RESOURCES WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR) : (a) The World Bank prepared a report on Indian agriculture captioned 'Agriculture—Challenges and opportunities' in August, 1991.

(b) The broad areas on which the World Bank has laid down emphasis in the report are increase in the overall allocation for agriculture, improving the efficiency of agricultural investments, rationalising subsidies and targetting them towards deserving people, diversification of agriculture, providing better incentives to farmers for crop production and revitalisation of rural banking.

(c) and (d) A draft agriculture policy resolution has been prepared after extensive consultations including a Conference of Chief Ministers on 5th March, 1993 and placed on the Table of the House on 14th May, 1993.

Finance to Farmers to Buy Second-Hand Tractors

2296. DR. NAUNIHAL SINGH :
SHRI NARAIN PRASAD GUPTA :
SHRI SHIV CHARAN SINGH :
SHRI SANGH PRIYA GAUTAM :

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have since decided to finance farmers to buy second-hand tractors;

(b) whether Government are aware that second-hand machine is mostly a defective deal;

(c) what kind of safeguards are built up in such a deal for maintenance of second-hand tractors; and

(d) whether Government are aware that there are no maintenance shops or mechanics available to handle the breakdown of second-hand tractors in the rural areas and what arrangements are being made by Government in this regard, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ARVIND NETAM) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) The Government have no information which could lead to this conclusion.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) Tractor manufacturers have appointed dealers in the States who look after sale and after sale services. Some of the State Agro Industries Corporations are also agents for sale and after sale services of tractors. There is a network of about 2100 dealers for tractors in the country.

Production of Milk

2297. SHRI SOM PAL :
SHRI SARADA MOHANTY :
SHRI SHANKAR DAYAL SINGH :
SHRI BRAJMADEO ANAND PASWAN :

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) what is the statewise and districtwise break up of milk daily produced in our country presently;

(b) what has been its total production during 1992-93;

(c) how much of it is in the cooperative sector;

(d) what are the itemwise quantity and value of milk and milk products marketed by cooperative sector;

(e) the quantity of it has been through indigenous production and that through imports; and

(f) what is the break up of all these in percentage terms?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ARVIND NETAM) : (a) to (f) The information is being collected and will be placed on the Table of the Sabha.

Construction of Fisheries Landing Centre in Kerala

2298. SHRI AJIT P. K. JOGI :
CHOWDHARY HARI SINGH :

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Central Government have received any proposal for construction of fisheries landing centre at Kottoor-Pollathai in Kerala;